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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast
Information Service**

SUBJECT: 30th Anniversary

26 February is the 30th anniversary of the Foreign Broadcast Information Service, and the occasion affords me the opportunity to note how very much the Government has come to depend on the unique services of FBIS. In more instances than I can recall, the FBIS Wire has provided the first notification of developments of international concern. I know also how heavily our researchers depend on FBIS published materials for authoritative general coverage of world events.

My best wishes to your dedicated staff on this landmark day. And may I depart from fashion to say that as FBIS exceeds age thirty, I expect no erosion of the trust and confidence in which FBIS is held.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Richard Helms".

Richard Helms
Director